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PATENT APPLICATION

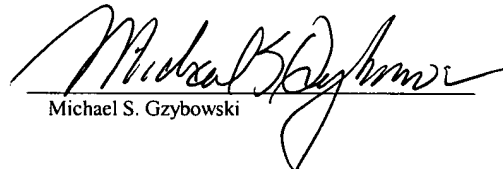
*IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE*

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Applicant: Yoshinori KUMASAKA  
  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed March 30, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

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**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.